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MEMORANDUM FOR: DEPUTY DIRECTOR (PLANS)

SUBJECT: Report on the Exploitation of Soviet Vulnerabilities

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REFERENCE: [redacted] Report on Subject dated 30 November 1954

1. Since you are already familiar with the paper, no review of its content is necessary.

2. This Staff believes the paper to be a most perceptive analysis of the objectives and purposes of political warfare. It proposes a posture which on the one hand would keep our guard up, but on the other hand would offer no bar to the development of such trends toward a global modus vivendi as may actually exist or come into being. The implementation of the proposed strategy would require a considerable realignment of our whole approach to the problem. Of special importance is the possible recognition of a covert national policy different from the overt national policy in certain restricted circumstances provided adequate security measures are maintained and the two courses of action do not negate each other.

3. From a planning point of view the significance of this paper for the Clandestine Services is the emphasis on covert operations in the Free World areas to combat hostility toward the U. S., neutralism or other attitudes and postures inimical to the interests of the U. S. The purpose is the "effective denial to the Soviets of the possibility of external expansion by military or non-military means." The priority role of clandestine intelligence collection in the Denied Areas is reaffirmed and emphasized by the repeated indications of need for better intelligence in the Bloc countries. Such emphasis is in consonance with general statements of priority in the draft of the Clandestine Services General Plan for FY 1957 - Cold War, although adoption of the policy and strategy outlined in the reference paper will require some editing and sharpening of the statements of over-all objectives outlined herein.

4. The signature of the attached memo is recommended.

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ABSTRACT NOTATION REFERENCES.

PPC Staff comment on the objectives and purposes of political warfare as discussed in the [redacted] report.

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